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Since the preparation of an earlier report on the growth and development of the Polish merchant fleet, the Polish Register of Maritime Ships, 1957-58 has become available. The characteristics of vessels shown in the earlier report were assembled on the basis of individual vessels, and sometimes it became necessary to choose between differing sources.

In many cases, there are minor differences between the characteristics shown in the earlier report and those shown in the Register. These discrepancies are very slight, however, the differences between the two figures for total gross register tonnage and between those for total deadweight tonnage being less than 1 percent. Consequently, no conclusions in the earlier report are affected. In most cases where the deadweight tonnages shown in the earlier report differ from those shown in the Register, the schedules of the Polish Ocean Lines and the Polish Steamship Company show deadweight tonnages which either agree with those shown in the earlier report or which are closer to them than to those shown in the Register.

The Foreword of the Register contains the following reservation:

The Polski Rejestr Statkow in publishing the Register of Maritime Ships wishes to state that the information given in the Register was taken from sources which are regarded as reliable, but is not in a position to guarantee the accuracy of all the information contained in the Register of Maritime Ships.

Nevertheless, it is believed that the data given in the Register on individual vessels may be preferable to those in the earlier report for general reference.

The format of Table 1** has been arranged to conform with Table 17, Appendix A, p. 97, of the earlier report. Although the Foreword of the Register is dated December 1957, some deletions from and additions to the Polish fleet occurred too late in 1957 to be incorporated in the

^{*} All material in this supplement is derived from the Polish Rejestr 1957-58: statki zeglugi morskiej (Register of Maritime Ships, 1957-58) published by the Polski Rejestr Statkow (Polish Register of Ships), Gdansk /19587.

^{**} Table 1 follows on p. 3.

Register. Vessels which were scrapped late in 1957 and which were not included in Table 17 of the earlier report but which are included in Table 1* of this supplement are as follows:

Vessel	Gross Register Tons	Deadweight Tons
Karpaty Kolobrzeg	6,589 2,878	9,479 4,318
Total	<u>9,467</u>	13,797

Vessels which were included in Table 17 of the earlier report and which are not included in Table 1 of this supplement are as follows:

Vessel_	Gross Register Tons	Deadweight Tons	
Florian Ceynowa Gniezno Kapitan Kosko Katowice Liwiec Slawno	6,784 2,568 6,629 2,555 943 2,557	10,530 3,200 10,530 3,200 1,100 3,200	
Total.	22,036	31,760	

Totals in Table 1 of this supplement are 1,728 gross register tons more and 5,091 deadweight tons less than the totals in Table 17 of the earlier report.

Table 2** lists the vessels of the Polish merchant fleet with refrigerator facilities, and Table 3*** lists the merchant tankers.

^{*} P. 3, below.

^{**} Table 2 follows on p. 7.

^{***} Table 3 follows on p. 8.

Table 1
Characteristics of Polish Merchant Vessels
According to the Polish Register of Ships
1957

	Vessel	Gross Register Tons	Deadweight Tons	Year Built	Speed (Knots)
	Vessels of 1,	,000 Gross Regist	er Tons and	Above	
	Baltyk	6,984	10,009	1942	10.0
	Batory	14,287	5,608	1936	17.0
	Beskidy	3,320	4,393	1957	12.7
	Bialystok	7,173	10,190	1942	10.5
	Boleslaw Bierut	6,674	10,500	1956	17.0
SS	Braterstwo	7,841	11,480	1917	9.0
SS	Brygada Makowskiego	1,945	2,610	1950	9:5
SS	Bytom	5,967	8,661	1942	10.0
	Curie Sklodowska	4,375	7,660	1931	10.0
MS	Czech	3,650	3,126	1934	14.0
MS	Dzierzinski <u>a</u> /*	12,636	12,812	1940 <u>b</u> /	17.0
	Edward Demboski	4,750	· 9,205	1941	14.0
MS	Elblag	1,284	1,699	19 ⁴ 3 <u>c</u> /	12.0
	Gdansk	2,668	3,970	1954	14.0
	Gdynia	3,818 -	4,973	1954	11.0
	General Bem	5,307	8,580	1940	14.5
	General Walter	6,522	6,178	1943	14.5
SS	Gliwice	1,446	2,218	1938	10.0
	Hel	1,095	1,547	1935	9.0
MS	Hugo Kollataj	3,755	6,885	1945	14.0
SS	Jaroslaw	3,219	3,040	1950	13.0
	Jednosc	7,022	10,281	1943	11.0
CC	Jednosc Robotnicza	2,003	2,610	1949	9.5

^{*} Footnotes for Table 1 follow on p. 6.

Table 1

Characteristics of Polish Merchant Vessels
According to the Polish Register of Ships
1957
(Continued)

Vessel	Gross Register	Deadweight	Year	Speed
	Tons	Tons	Built	(Knots)
Vessels of 1,	,000 Gross Regist	er Tons and	Above	·
MS Karpaty MS Kasprowy SS Kaszuby SS Kielce TS Kilinski d/ SS Kolno SS Kolobrzeg MS Kopernik SS Kosciuszko	6,589 8,528 8,280 2,312 7,697 2,660 2,878 2,665 7,707	9,479 13,726 10,021 3,210 10,719 3,260 4,318 4,060 10,395	1927 1945 1929 1939 1944 1936 1921 1953	10.0 12.0 10.0 16.5 10.5 8.5 15.0 15.5
SS Krakow	2,018	3,000	1926	8.3
SS Kutno	2,361	3,460	1925	8.5
SS Lech	1,573	2,110	1934	12.0
MS Lechistan	1,958	2,779	1929	10.0
MS Lewant	1,958	3,236	1930	10.0
SS Lublin	1,325	1,950	1932	10.5
SS Malbork MS Malgorzata Fornalska MS Marceli Nowotko SS Marchlewski SS Marian Buczek MS Mickiewicz MS Mikolaj Rej SS Morska Wola	2,588 8,396 6,660 1,834 7,053 4,344 5,614 3,338	3,136 9,740 10,273 3,027 10,150 6,475 9,520 4,550	1954 1941 1956 1940 <u>c/</u> 1943 1943 <u>e/</u> 1920	11.5 14.0 16.0 11.0 10.5 14.0 9.5 9.0
SS Narwik .	7,065 ;	10,420	1942	10.0
MS Nowa Huta .	2,684	3,972	1952	
SS Olsztyn	1,877	3,138	1944	9.0
SS Pawel Finder	4,911	9,063	1948	10.5
MS Piast	3,184	2,844	1951	14.5

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Characteristics of Polish Merchant Vessels
According to the Polish Register of Ships
1957
(Continued)

Vessel	Gross Register Tons	Deadweight Tons	Year Built	Speed (Knots)
Vessels of l	,000 Gross Regist	er Tons and	Above	<u></u>
MS Pieniny MS Pokoj SS Poznan MS Przyjazn Narodow SS Przyszlosc SS Pstrowski SS Puck	8,272 4,958 2,051 8,876 7,218 1,928 1,166	12,835 8,920 3,030 10,180 10,400 2,610 1,471	1945 1943 <u>f/</u> 1926 1937 1942 1950 1949	12.0 / 13.5 8.4 15.5 10.0 9.5
TS Pulaski <u>d</u> / SS Rataj MS Romuald Traugutt	7,083 1,340 6,657	10,105 1,640 9,777	1928 1906 1913	8.0 10.0
MS Slowacki SS Soldek MS Stefan Okrzeja SS Szczecin SS Slask	5,262 2,005 6,620 3,818 1,402	8,067 2,610 10,500 4,976 1,540	1924 1949 1957 1954 1932	12.0 9.5 18.0 11.7 10.0
MT Tatry SS Tobruk SS Torun	3,319 7,049 1,985	4,398 10,428 3,011	1957 1942 1926	13.0 9.5 8.5
SS Ustka	1,517	1,220	1937 <u>b</u> /	9.0
MS Warszawa MS Warynski SS Wieczorek SS Wielun SS Wisla MS Wroclaw	6,021 4,361 1,971 2,028 3,401 1,740	10,360 6,470 2,540 3,011 5,100 2,473	1940 1936 1953 1926 1928 1935	13.0 12.5 9.5 8.2 9.0 10.5
MS Zeromski	6,506	10,070		15.0
Total	346,352	478,008		

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Characteristics of Polish Merchant Vessels
According to the Polish Register of Ships
1957
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	. Ves	ssel	G		Registe	er Dea	adweight Tons	Year Built	Speed (Knots)
		Vessels	of Less	Than	1,000	Gross	Register	Tons	<u> </u>
MS	Bug				500		632	1939	9.0
MS	Dunajec				486		645	1951	10.0
MS	Jastarn:	ia			610		866	1955	10.0
MS	Mazury				909		1,268	1948	10.0
	Narew Nogat Notec Nysa				218 620 655 486		310 982 760 695	1938 1954 1954 1951	7.0 10.5 10.5 10.0
MS 'MS	Odra Oksywie				484 768		650 1,010	1953 1938	10.0 9.2
MS MS	Pilica Prosna				484 613		641 823	1953 1955	10.0 10.5
MS	Rysy				759		1,050	1942	8.0
MS	San				487		682	1951	10.0
MS	Turnia				666		1,016	1944	8.0
MS	Warmia				936		1,253	1948	10.0
	Total			<u>9</u>	,681		13,193		
	Grand	total		<u>356</u>	,033	<u>4</u>	91,201		

a. This vessel is listed in the earlier report as the Felix Dzierzin-ski. It is believed that the deadweight tonnage shown here is in error. Both Lloyd's Register of Ships and the schedule of the Polish Ocean Lines show 12,610 deadweight tons.

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b. Salvage completed in 1957.

c. Salvage completed in 1950.

d. TS denotes turbineship, as distinct from SS (steamship) and MS (motorship).

e. Salvage completed in 1947.

f. Salvage completed in 1945.

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Table 2
Polish Merchant Vessels with Refrigerated Facilities
December 1957

Deadweight Tonnage	Capacity of Refrigerated Holds (Cubic Feet)	Number of Refrigerated Holds	Type of Refrigerated Cargo a/
3,126	167,212	10	fr
	55,090	6	v, fr, m, fi
	26,662	4	dp
3.040	133,805	14	m, fi
4,060	32,983	2	v, fr
	100,327	5	
		14	m, fi
	32,065	4	m, fi
2.844	114,594	· 7	fr
		2	v, m, fr, fi
		3	v, m, fr, fi
10,070	12,289	2	v, m, fr, fi
68,494	761,370		
	3,126 12,812 b/ 3,970 3,040 4,060 2,110 1,950 3,972 2,844 10,180 10,360 10,070	Deadweight Tonnage Refrigerated Holds (Cubic Feet) 3,126 12,812 b/ 55,090 3,970 26,662 3,040 133,805 4,060 32,983 2,110 100,327 1,950 52,936 3,972 32,065 2,844 114,594 10,180 8,405 10,360 25,002 10,070 12,289	Deadweight Tonnage Refrigerated Holds Number of Refrigerated Holds 3,126 167,212 10 12,812 b/ 3,970 26,662 4 3,040 133,805 4 4,060 32,983 2 2,110 100,327 5 1,950 52,936 4 3,972 32,065 4 2,844 114,594 7 10,180 8,405 2 10,360 25,002 3 10,070 12,289 2

a. Type of cargo for which the holds are designed. Explanation of symbols is as follows:

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dp = dairy products, fi = fish, fr = fruit, m = meat, and v = vegetables. b. This figure may be an error. See footnote a to Table 1, p. 3, above.

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Table 3

Polish Merchant Tankers a/
December 1957

		Liquid Cargo-Carrying Capacity				
Tanker	Deadweight Tons	Cubic Meters	Barrels b/	Metric Tons b/		
MS Beskidy MS Kasprowy	4,398 13,726	5,375 <u>c/</u>	33,809	4,395		
MS Pieniny MS Rysy MT Tatry MS Turnia	12,835 1,050 4,398 1,016	<u>c</u> / 1,220 5,375 1,068	7,674 33,809 6,718	998 4,395 873		
Total	37,42 <u>3</u>					

a. The Karpaty has not been included, because it was withdrawn from the fleet in late $\overline{1957}$.

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b. Calculated from the cubic meter capacity. Metric tonnage is an approximate capacity calculated from the average conversion factor of 1 barrel = 0.13 metric ton.

c. Not shown in the Polish Register of Maritime Ships, 1957-58.

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